

LABOR PLEADS FOR U. S. TO LEAD IN DISARMAMENT

Denver Convention Also Urges
President and Congress to
Work For Irish Recognition.

DENVER, June 15.—President Harding and Congress are urged to lead the way in bringing about world disarmament in a resolution presented today to the convention of the American Federation of Labor. They are requested to call a conference of the powers of the world "with the hope and in the belief that through such a conference the billions now being expended in naval armaments may be saved to the taxpayers of the several countries."

"The whole world contemplates with horror," said the resolution, "the possibility of a race for naval power between the United States, Great Britain and Japan similar to that between Great Britain and Germany which preceded the great World War. Such a race is inconsistent with and must serve to postpone and prevent general disarmament, to which the American labor movement stands committed."

Irish sympathizers today replied to the warning sounded yesterday by J. H. Thomas, British labor leader, that organized labor of America could not solve the Irish question, by introducing resolutions demanding recognition on the part of the convention supporting the Irish Republic. Failing to get recognition in the resolution drafted by the committee appointed by a mass meeting of Irish sympathizers, representatives of the Irish Republic presented two resolutions demanding boycott of English-made goods and concerns in this country by American workers.

The resolution presented by Peter J. Brady of New York, Chairman of the committee, selected at a mass meeting of Irish sympathizers and signed by nearly 150 delegates, demanded, among other things: That copies of these resolutions be sent to the President, Vice President and

members of the Cabinet urging recognition of the Republic of Ireland and urging that a protest be made to Great Britain against "the brutal and uncivilized warfare now being conducted in Ireland," and that the officers of the American Federation of Labor be instructed to urge the President, members of the Cabinet and of Congress to bring about recognition of the Republic of Ireland, as well as to demand from Great Britain the defaulted interest and loan due to the United States and "now used in part to promote the brutal campaign in Ireland." The resolution also pledges support to Irish trade unionists and instructs the Federation's officers to "take up with the trade unions of Great Britain, her colonies and dominions a proposal to inaugurate a campaign for the trial and punishment of officers and men of the British regular and auxiliary forces guilty of atrocities in Ireland in a manner similar to that in which the German officers are now being tried and punished for their violation of the laws of civilized warfare in France and Belgium."

Women attending the convention are urging a resolution which would forbid any union denying or abridging membership. Miss Catherine Fisher, representing the bookkeepers and stenographers, is the author of the resolution and she is backed by about 100 women attending the convention.

Soviet Bars Johnston From Russia.

BERLIN, June 15 (Associated Press).—William H. Johnston, President of the International Association of Machinists, who has returned to this city after waiting vainly in Riga a fortnight for permission to enter Soviet Russia, was officially informed by the Soviet Legation in Riga yesterday that he would not be allowed to enter Soviet Russia.

U. S. MUST NOT "FRITTER" ITS HELP

Mr. Hughes Doesn't Want Its Influence Wasted on Things That Do Not Concern America.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 15.—Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes told a gathering of his fellow alumni of Brown University today that it was not desirable that America's helpful influence should be frittered away "by relating ourselves unnecessarily to political questions which involve rivalries of interest abroad with which we have no proper concern."

"It is equally true," he continued, "that we cannot escape our relation to the economic problems of the world." He said the prosperity of this country largely depended upon the economic settlements which might be made in Europe and that the key to the future was with those who make and control these settlements.

ROBBED IN AN ELEVATOR.

Young Woman Misses Pocketbook and Trains the Suspect.

Solomon Goldfarb, twenty years old, was held today by Magistrate Simpson for examination to-morrow on the charge of "larceny from the person." Miss Dorothy Fonden, twenty-one, of No. 455 West 43d Street, a stenographer employed at No. 61 Broadway, told the court that when she started to leave the elevator to go to her office she missed her pocketbook, in which was \$2.00.

She remembered that Goldfarb was in the lift and had left it at the eighteenth floor. She went back with John Thorpe, the operator, discovered

"TRAGIC FAILURE" IN U. S. CONTROL

So Senator Reed Predicts Regarding the Packer Bill, Now Before Congress.

ST. LOUIS, June 15.—Government control over business, as he saw it, exemplified by the Packer Control Bill now before Congress, was termed "a tragic failure" by Senator James A. Reed of Missouri, speaking today at a luncheon of the St. Louis Chamber of Commerce.

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